Society and CSIR to improve prospects for developing Applied Research on commercial basis.

(b) Germany is India's largest trading partner and the largest market for India's exports in Europe. 6 per cent of India's foreign trade is with Germany which makes it our fourth largest global trading partner. Trade figures for the last three years are as follows:

(Rs. in crores)

Year	Exports	Imports	Balance
1990-91	2534.59	3477.42	- 942.88
1991-92	3104.55	3849.08	- 744.53
1992-93	4148.75	4776.04	- 627.29
1993-94 (Apr -Nov)	3005.37	3482.66	- 477.29

Trade is expected to grow and a number of promotional measures have been taken for achieving this objective.

(c) and (d) No specific offer of high technology was made by Germany during the visit.

Winding up of Cycle Corporation of India

3132. PROF. SAURIN BHATTACHARYA: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to refer to answer to Unstarred Question 4291 given in the Rajya Sabha on the 26th August, 1993 and state:

(a) what decision Government have taken on the the notice of winding up by the BIFR to Cycle Corporation of India;

(b) whether revival scheme has not been properly looked into; and

(c) if so, the details in this regard, alongwith the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (SHRIMATI KRISHNA SAHI): (a) to (c) After hearing all the parties concerned and considering facts and circumstances of the case including report of the Operating Agency, the Bench of BIFR formed a prima-facie opinion that the unit was not viable on long term basis and accordingly has issued a show cause notice to wind up Cycle Corporation of India Ltd. The notice is still unler consideration of the Government.

Closure of Public Undertakings Units

3133. PROF. SAURIN BHATTACHARYA: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to refer to answer to Unstarred Question 4315 given in the Rajya Sabha on the 26th August, 1993 and state:

(a) whether the information has since been collected in this regard;

(b) whether most of the Public sector units have almost come to face closure of their units due to want of funds for working capital;

(c) whether Government would not take any action in the matter; and

(d) if so, the facts and reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (SHRIMATI KRISHNA SAHI): (a) Information is still awaited from some Ministries/Deptts

(b) to (d) Information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.